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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Shuler et al. : Art Unit: 3612
Serial No.: 10/617,219 : Examiner: K. B. Patel
Filed: July 10, 2003 :
For: PEDESTRIAN ENERGY ABSORBER :
FOR AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES :

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TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is:
Amendment (11 pgs.), in response to Office Action dated December 17, 2004
Transmittal Form (3 pgs.), in duplicate
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STATUS

2. **Applicant** _____ claims small entity status.
X _____ is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

| Extension for response within: | Other than small entity Fee | Small entity Fee (if applicable) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| first month | \$ 120.00 | \$ 60.00 |
| second month | \$ 450.00 | \$ 225.00 |
| third month | \$ 1,020.00 | \$ 510.00 |
| fourth month | \$1,590.00 | \$ 795.00 |
| fifth month | \$2,160.00 | \$1,080.00 |

Fee: \$

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

— An extension of _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

OR

(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

| (Col. 1) | (Col. 2) | (Col. 3) | SMALL ENTITY | OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY |
|---|---|------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA | ADDITIONAL RATE FEE OR | ADDITIONAL RATE FEE |
| TOTAL INDEP. | MINUS | = | x \$25.00 = \$ | x \$50.00 = \$ |
| | MINUS | = | x \$100.00 = \$ | x \$200.00 = \$ |
| | — FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM | | + \$180.00 = \$ | + \$360.00 = \$ |
| | | | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$ | OR |
| | | | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$ | |

(a) No additional fee for Claims is required

OR

(b) Total additional fee for claims required \$ _____

FEE PAYMENT

5. Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____

Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$_____.
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

FEE DEFICIENCY

6. If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

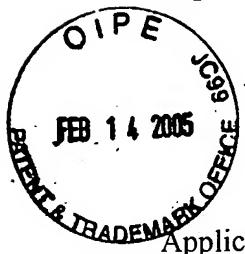
AND/OR

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7. Other:



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